

Mrs. Bennett To Retire

By Mark Edelman

As of the end of the day on Friday, December 1, 1978, Shaker Heights High School will be without a vital cog in its administrative machine. At that time, Mrs. Gladys Bennett, Staff Assistant, and personal secretary to Principal Paul Murphy will retire. Mrs. Bennett has been with the Shaker School system since 1950, when she started working at Shaker Heights Junior High School (now Woodbury). She has been at the high school since July 1, 1962.

Mrs. Bennett was born in Wooster, Massachusetts, and grew up in Maine. She attended a high school which was primarily business-oriented, and therefore had no need to attend college. The first job that she had in the administrative assistant field occurred during her senior year. During that, and the following five years, she worked for her Alma Mater, Newton High School. Mrs. Bennett has also had some pretty important positions in her lifetime. After leaving her job at her high school, she moved on to Washington, D.C., where she served as the secretary to the Assistant Commissioner of the Public Building Administration, for seventeen years. It was then that Shaker became lucky. Mrs. Bennett's husband was transferred to Michigan, and then, within a few short years, they were living in Shaker Heights. They moved in 1949 to to an apartment of Van Aken Blvd., an apartment that Mrs. Bennett still lives in and shares with her sister today.

When she was asked why, at this time, she has decided to retire, Mrs. Bennett replied, "I decided it was time that I had a vacation. I want to spend some time with my poodle, because he is getting up in years. I also would like to go and visit some of my relatives in New England and Nova Scotia." Mrs. Bennett has survived more winters, and lasted under more principals than a large majority of the School District's employees. They come and go, but she was still there.

Mrs. Bennett has thoroughly enjoyed her years at Shaker. She says that the real reason why she came to Shaker was because of the students. And while her job rarely takes her away from the office area, she tries to get out and talk to the students as much as she can. Mrs. Bennett also feels that Shaker is very fortunate to have the faculty that it does. She finds it to be rewarding to work with a staff like that which exists at Shaker.

It will be very hard to replace a lady who has been called "Office manager", "information center", "the guiding force behind the office", and even "mess chief". The administration is finding this out now. Mrs. Bennett has vowed to return to Shaker as often as she can, just to peek around and make sure that everything is all right. Even though she plans to do a lot of visiting with her relatives, Mrs. Bennett will still keep her Van Aken resident.

When asked for her parting remarks, Mrs. Bennett told this reporter that "I would like to say thank you very much. I have enjoyed working with the Shaker



Heights School District, the Board, etc. Also, I don't think that my work could have been accomplished without the great job done by the secretaries here at Shaker. To them I am deeply indebted. I would also like to say a special thanks to the staff and administrations of Shaker Heights High School, who have been so kind to me during my years here at Shaker. My biggest thanks, however, goes to you, the students. If it were not for you, my job would be meaningless. I thank you all."

Shaker Heights High School will not seem right for the first few months after Mrs. Bennett's retirement. However, the secretaries at Shaker are very competent, and within a year, students will forget about a lady who was a Shaker institution. This reporter certainly will not. Good-bye Mrs. Bennett, we (I) will miss you.

Computers - Outdated

by Mike Klein
and Stuart Freedman

A consulting firm has recently been hired by Shaker Heights School officials to do some preliminary research on replacing present computer systems. Up to now, there have been separate computer systems for student use and administrative use. A future system would incorporate both uses.

The computer system which a handful of students use on a regular basis is still in good condition but is old, and consequently, obsolete. Technology has advanced so much since Hewlett-Packard manufactured our computer, that today's computers of the same capacity are less than one half of the size and cost one thirtieth of the original price. Despite its age, "Red Ralderston" (as some students call our computer) still is useful in teaching students the basic principles of computer programming.

The administrative computer system comprised two identical Univacs. They are used mainly for scheduling, but they also have such uses as report cards and attendance tabulation. One inherent problem of the administrative computers is that all information must be punched on cards and files can only be retained one record at a time.

A new computer is expected to be purchased sometime after September, 1979. This computer system would probably be used simultaneously by both students and administrators. It would be capable of retaining a list of student schedules, which would mean that students would get schedule changes and report cards more quickly. Students who use the computer would probably be able to save their programs in the computer's memory in addition to being able to write longer and more elaborate programs. Systemations, the consulting firm, should have the recommendations for the new computer's specifications soon.

The schools' legal obligation for buying something this expensive is to accept bids from different companies. The school must then choose the computer that it will buy from among the computers with the lowest prices. After the school buys a computer system, it will put the old systems up for sale to the highest bidder.

While we still have the old computer system, we would like to extend an invitation to anyone interested in computer programming to contact us. We are usually in Room 226, which is the computer room, after school.

Musical Groups Sparkle

By Amy Kirkhoff

Last Friday night, if you wanted something exciting, you should have been at school for the Choral and Instrumental Concert. A cappella choir, keeping the reputation of quality, came on first displaying a variety of songs, from pop to sacred. They used a recorder and flutes to accompany them on a few numbers, and they even chanted on one of the songs.

The Concert Choir, which consists of sophomores, was surprisingly (considering that they're sophomores!) good. For their first concert they were poised and had a good quality sound. To top it all off, the Concert Choir presented their fabulous (in their minds) director with flowers.

Chanticleers appeared next with more upbeat songs. One particular number was called "Let Me Entertain You", which they certainly did. The Chanticleers were very relaxed during their portion of the concert. They have already performed, though a couple of times, and they are go-

ing to be singing at Shaker Square over Thanksgiving to start the festivities off.

After the intermission the Shaker Heights High School Orchestra performed. Considering that the group has had not much interest in it, they did very well. They seem to have started the year off well.

Last but not least, the Shaker Marching Band came marching in.

They have a larger group this year and more enthusiasm, due, in part, to the winning football team. The drum squad got the audience going with fancy drum cadences, the flag corps and majorettes did routines to a few songs, and the band played with a good full sound. It will be interesting to see how the Concert Band turns out, because the Band has an excellent brass section.

The whole concert was very exciting and rousing, from the first song sung to the last "Go you mighty Raiders" song played.

Calendar Of Events

December 8.. Swimming at Shaw (4:00); Basketball at home with Cleveland Hts. (6:45); Drama Production (8:00).

December 9.. Hockey at home with Normandy (5:30); Swimming at U.S. (7:30); Wrestling at Shaw (7:30); Drama production (8:00).

December 10.. Hockey at Lakewood (8:00).

December 12.. Wrestling at Twins/Woodridge 00).

December 14.. Girls' Basketball at home with Regina (4:30).

December 15.. Basketball at Garfield (8:45); Swimming at Cleveland Hts. (7:30); Wrestling at Valley Forge (7:30).

December 16.. Hockey at Cleveland Hts. (5:00); School dance (8-12:00).

December 19.. Girls' Basketball at Wickliffe (4:00); Alumni Choral Concert (8:15).

December 20.. Wrestling at home with Bedford (7:30).

December 21.. Vacation begins!!!

December 1.. Basketball at Valley Forge (8:45); Swimming at home with Maple Hts. (7:30); Wrestling at home with Orange (7:30).

December 2.. SAT-ACH (8-12:30); Hockey at home with Valley Forge (5:30).

December 5.. Girls' Basketball at home with Beaumont (4:00); Basketball at Maple Heights (8:30).

December 7.. Girls' Basketball at home with Regina (4:00); Drama production (8:00).

Mark's Mentionables

By Mark Edelman

As I now open up my eyes and ears to Shaker Heights High many different items come to mind.

For all Shaker students- THE SHAKERITE is a student-run publication which draws both its reporters and its Editorial staff from the entire Shaker student body. Any student who shows any interest in any section of the newspaper is welcome to contribute his or her talents. All inquiries should be made to Mark Edelman or Mr. Randall in Room 100.

Congratulations to the Girl's Field Hockey team for finishing second in the Dayton Invitational Tournament. Eventhough you did not win it all your still No. 1 in my book. Good luck next year girls!

I am sorry to learn of the sudden retirement of Mrs. Gladys Bennett our Administrative Assistant. She has been a great help to me in doing the newspaper and her retirement will be a loss for us all. Have a good life Mrs. Bennet.

Shaker's JCWA has seemed to have outdone themselves at their latest Convention. Rumor has it that certain members (who shall remain nameless) did certain things (which shall remain nameless). For further information await the next issue.

Shaker's mighty Varsity debate team was humbled at the West Geauga debate tournament sometime ago. Could this be because of those Late Friday night debate parties?

SPAC seem to be strangely ineffective this year. Could this be because SPAC graduated last June?

Who really cares where people hang out?

What really are those marks on Phil Goldman's neck? Those Gristmill people really play rough.

Seniors, get those applicatoin in now. If you don't you'll be here next year. This message has been sponsored by the Guidance staff.

That's all for now. If you would like to see something else besides what I see and hear submit it in writing to "Mark's Mentionables" c/o Mark Edelman Room 100. This is Mark signing off till next issue. Nanu-Nanu.

Counselor Changes Hurt Seniors

By Kevin Cronin

Probably the biggest worry of Shaker Heights High School seniors at this time concerns college applications. An important part of these applications is the counselors' reports and these reports. Yet this year reports are being filed by a virtual stranger. Because of a shift and rearrangement of counselors, most seniors have different counselors than they had in their previous two years of high school.

This change of counselors poses a few problems at the crucial application time for high school seniors. The counselors will be writing reports on students they do not know. In such a "blind" recommendation, counselors will merely echo teacher reports or student transcripts, materials, colleges already have, in the form of teacher recommendations and transcripts already submitted as part of the application process. The counselors will be writing recommendations on students they may not even know, a very hollow-sounding recommendation indeed.

The problem of such "blind" recommendations is to be remedied, according to the counselors, by checking with the previous counselor before submitting a recommenda-

tion on a student. This just wastes time, and with two counselors submitting all the reports of the entire senior class is very important. How is this new situation any better than in the past? If the students had remained with the counselor of the previous two years, counselors would not be wasting time checking on students they don't know. The result would be personal recommendations that could do just that, personally recommend a student for acceptance at a school.

In three years this problem of counselors recommending students they don't know will right itself. But that is little consolation to this year's senior class. What is the difference between two counselors or five filing reports on students? If the five counselors know their respective students better, and can offer a more accurate report about the students, why shouldn't the five file the reports? The new arrangement of counselors does nothing that the old arrangement couldn't have done and creates the new problem of counselors submitting "blind" recommendations on behalf of the students in the applications process.

Participation

Almost every day of the school year brings with it the never-ending pleas of students who claim that they ought to have the right to make this or that decision in their Student Council. For, they argue, if they are not allowed to form their self-governing legislation, then the whole purpose of the Student Council is defeated.

This is most assuredly not the case, however. As students, our right to have a say in that which concerns us is lost in the homeroom! Week after week, year after year, Shaker's duly-elected Student Council representatives return to their homerooms with accounts of the meetings. Yet, as this report is presented, we, as citizens of our student government, remain indifferent and alarmingly quiescent about these rules, to which, in due time, we will undoubtedly raise our objections.

A rather pertinent example of this came in the spring of 1961, when the present seniors were sophomores. A report was read in a homeroom stating that it had been decided junior driving should be prohibited in the coming year. Not a voice was raised in protest! Only after a summer's vacation did they realize that they had complacently remained silent too long. Then came a deluge of protests and illegal drivers.

The SHAKERITE is re-printing this article from October 5, 1962 in an attempt to show students what Student Council was faced with 16 years ago.

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Letter to the Editor

To the Editors of the Shakerite:

Since I am one of the oldest living relics of bygone days in Shaker High, I remember that the Ely Gallery was named in honor of Mabel Ely, a much-loved and respected teacher of art here from 1928 to 1944. Her surname was and is pronounced E-lee to rhyme with "we see". For historical fairness, could we all abandon the E-lye bit, and go back to calling it the E-lee Gallery?

Sincerely

Jean Brattin

Would the person who found a set of personal keys with a yellow tag at the high school Monday evening, November 20, please turn them in to the main office or at the administration building? Thank you.

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Mystery Of The Week

By Michael Scharf

Lieutenant Smith was called in on a suicide case at the palatial mansion of Sir Digby Druthers, the international banking magnate who was recently implicated in a scandal involving the embezzlement of funds from Swiss Bank accounts. When the police investigator arrived at the Druthers' mansion, Sir Digby's body was lying on the floor in the drawing room, in a puddle of cold water. Druthers had obviously hanged himself, because Lt. Smith found a rope hanging from the balcony one floor above, and rope marks on the deceased's neck. However, the end of the rope was a full fifteen feet above the floor of the drawing room. How did Sir Digby hang himself?

For the answer, see the bottom of this page.

Where Do You Hang Out?

The following is a survey, taken during the week of November 13, showing where Shaker students like to hang out. (Not everyone took this seriously!)

Name - Grade - Hang-out
Nina Reisman - 10 - Back Wall Racquetball Club
Anonymous - 10 - Randall Mall
Sanford Watson - 10 - Where the action is
Pam White - 10 - Master Pizza
Rhonda Taylor - 11 - Randall Mall
Tamela Thornton - 10 - Randall Mall
Pierre Huang - 12 - Almost anywhere
Scott Wipper - 10 - Colorado
Derek Green - 10 - Elliot's house
Tim Hanna - 10 - My house on weekends
Jerry Koleski - 12 - My mind
Dan Gold - 12 - On the ceiling

Fay Lynne Huang - 11 - In a car
Paula Tuffin - 10 - Draegers
Dan Choi - 10 - Randall Mall
John Patterson - 10 - Master Pizza
Mike Lynch - 11 - Locker No. 367
Kevin Knipes - 10 - Under the hamburger grease pan
Marc Mencher - 12 - My locker
Gewn Hockett - 12 - My phone room
Zep - 12 - Cloud 9
Sue Fredrickson - 10 - Hippie Hall and parties
David Gray - 10 - Elliot's house
Mike Scharf - 10 - It depends where the action is
Jim Scharf - 12 - I have a certain fondness for the band room water fountain
Chip McClendon - 12 - Cheerleader camps
Roger Shorr - 10 - Speer's house
Mike Weingarten - 10 - Speer's house
Randy Solganik - 10 - Speer's house
Mike Christie - 12 - The wrestling room
Anonymous - 11 - Bedroom
Keith Connor - 11 - Room 129
Mason Flint - 10 - Shaker Nature Center
David Matz - 11 - Swimming pool
Kim Harris - 10 - Randall Mall
Sharon Brown - 10 - Randall Mall
Belinda Crawford - 10 - Randall Mall

Sue Milde - 11 - Beachwood High
David Zilber - 12 - Hofbrau House, Munich, Germany.
Joe Bordonaro - 11 - Randall Mall
Anonymous - 11 - Debbie Donahey's locker
Alan Heller - 10 - Thornton
Carl Bryon - 12 - By the window of the cafeteria
Louisa Nash - 12 - Mr. Otero's room
David Goldman - 11 - The Plum or the physics room
Greg Wester - 11 - The Plum or the physics room
Jamie Gannon - 10 - DeAngelo's Pizza
Forrest Norman - 10 - Theater-room 129
Ben Prober - 12 - Cafeteria and room 129
Nicol Loth - 10 - Egges
Lori Edwards - 10 - My bedroom
Liz Roth - 10 - Parties
Bill Burk - 10 - My room
Anonymous - 10 - The bathroom
Tracy Blumenthal - 129 - Room 129
David Perloff - 10 - Almost anywhere
Steve Brown - 12 - Record Rendezvous
Heather Smith - 12 - Anywhere
Benjie Feigenbaum - 12 - At home
George Hawkins - 12 - My car
Dan Hoffman - 12 - My room
Mark Edelman - 12 - 24097 Greenlawn

By Wendy Weitzner and Susan Hunter

Opportunity Exists

Back in the days of slavery, black people were fighting for their liberty. When they were finally granted freedom they began to seek a new way of life. They wanted their children to be able to live where ever they desired, to be all of the great things that the whites said that they never could be, and to say all of the constructive thoughts in their minds without fear of being sold or lynched. Along with these inalienable rights also came the right to have their written work published. Well children, we've come a long way since the days of slavery and we have reached many of the goals that our ancestors set for us so long ago. But, many of you would be a disgrace to the people who fought to free yo' po' black souls.

There has been a rumour going around Shaker that there are no black writers on

By Vanessa Webbs

the SHAKERITE. Well, that rumour is false because I am unmistakably a member of the Negroid persuasion and I am also a writer. But I am very sorry to say that there are not more blacks who are willing to take out a few hours each month to display the writing skills that I am sure many of them possess, by writing for the Shakerite. There are more activities in school to participate in than singing, dancing and basketball. So many of you criticize the SHAKERITE and refuse to support it because of its lack of black writers, photographers, etcetera; well here is your chance to change that- take it! Become a constructive member of the SHAKERITE STAFF; it's one of those inalienable rights our people fought so hard for.

Did You Know?

By Craig Beresford

For this month, "Did You Know" presents a list of some of the more unusual words in the English language.

Aa: a type of lava having a rough surface.

Aglets: the plastic tips on the ends of shoelaces.

Kakistocracy: a form of government in which the worst citizens rule the state.

Kudzu: a prolific creeping vine.

Myxomycetous: of or pertaining to slime mold.

Quodlibet: an argument or point of debate, usually on a theological or scholastic subject.

Shako: a cylindrical, visored military cap with a plume on top; usually associated with drum majors.

Syzygy: the conjunction or opposition of two heavenly bodies.

Triskaidekaphobia: unnatural fear of the number 13.

Uxorious: foolishly fond or submissive to one's wife.

Zarf: a holder for a handleless coffee cup.

Before I close, I'd like to mention that is is becoming increasingly difficult to come up with interesting and original material for this column. So, if you have a favorite fascinating fact, how about sending it to me? Just send it along with your name to: Craig Beresford, c/o The Feature page, You can give it to Mr. Randall, Rm. 100. Thank you.

Shakerite Guide To College Admissions

By Carolyn Warne and Elizabeth Jennison

For all of you seniors who are confused by conflicting rumors concerning college applications, the Shakerite presents, "A Beginner's Guide to College Applications".

Step 1: Write letters to colleges in which you think you may be interested, asking for information. For the mere cost of a first-class 15-cent stamp, you can receive more information about the college of your choice than anyone who goes there could possibly know. However, some of this information may prove to be very useful. The application blank, for example, has long been thought to be an essential item for prospective scholars.

Step 2: Once you become interested in a certain college, the next step is to expose yourself to the college conference. The Shaker High School main office considerably distributes bright yellow sheets listing college conferences from Agnes Scott to Yeshiva (there are no "Z" colleges.) Just sign up for the conference in the office and show up in the assigned room at the appropriate time.

Step 3: The application. Now that you have received your application, the next task is filling it out. Many of the questions may seem obscure, irrelevant or even downright tricky, but don't let this frighten you; this merely enables the ghoulish admissions officers to (in their very words) "know you better". Be careful with questions like, "Why do you choose U. of Q?" They don't really want to hear that it's cheap and is probably the only place you can expect to get into.

Step 4: As the smiling lady in the office takes your application, she will probably ask, "Where is your release form?" The school is not allowed to release your transcript to anyone without your permission. (Unfortunately, this does not include your parents.)

Step 5: The autobiography. Picture a guidance counselor struggling to complete 750 counselor recommendation forms for students she scarcely knows. With this in mind, you should easily be able to provide someone who doesn't know you with an accurate picture of

yourself. (Hint: Don't start with, "I am five feet six inches tall....")

Step 6: Taking the SAT. For years, you have been taking standardized tests to be scored by computer, but this is the biggie. This is the one the colleges look at. Most people cram the night before the test. Ironically, even though the tests are supposedly important, the colleges say these are not the biggest thing for acceptance.

Step 7: Now comes one of the harder things in applying to the college of your choice--the Financial Aid form. Trying to get the college or university to pay for part of your education is like being audited--figures must be exact, and you cannot cheat. Some colleges send their own FAF form, but others request forms that Shaker provides to anyone who requests it.

Step 8: The college interview when visiting the campus. This is usually the most nerve-wracking as well as the most expensive aspect of applying. Meeting with an admissions officer provides the college with some insights into what type of persons you are, beyond what the application says. Some people don't participate in these fascinating interviews, and only a masochist enjoys them. Nevertheless, in order to get into some colleges, you must submit to this medieval form of torture.

Step 9: Recommendations mark the point where one's pride is lost in begging a teacher to write one of those glowing evaluations. Since not all colleges require recommendations, it is suggested that unless you have a teacher on your side, you choose a college or university that does not require such documents.

Step 10: Last but not least are the Advanced Placement tests. Once you know where you are going, you need credit not to take certain classes. These usually are allowed to the student in such subjects as English, U.S. History, Modern European History, Art, History or Mathematics. The AP tests are graded on a scale of 1 to 5 (5 being the highest) by competent teachers in the appropriate fields. Many colleges such as Harvard, MIT, Princeton, Yale, Amherst, Brown,

THE GRADE MAKER

By Rob Stupay

I was on my way to my usual table in the cafeteria when I saw a sedate man sitting by himself in a corner of the dining area. At first I thought he was a teacher, but all the teachers go off to eat in their own little hiding place. He seemed familiar with his surroundings. I could tell this because he ate his hamburger cautiously. My curiosity was aroused when I saw him being served by a cafeteria worker. So I decided to find out his identity.

As I approached him, he looked up and asked me if I was a student. I answered the affirmative. Then, I asked him who he was. His answer shocked me. He said, "I control everything that goes on in the school; who gets the A's or F's or any other grade on the report card. I control what each employee receives in his pay envelope; whether it's a pink slip or a pay check or both."

I was about to start buttering him up when a teacher's union representative came towards the table. The union representative seemed very tense. He asked the man, "Sir,

the teachers want a 50 percent pay raise. Are we going to give it to them?"

The man answered coldly, "Not while I'm eating."

The union representative slunk away.

I began wondering how much control this powerful man had over me. I asked, "Sir, if I wanted to get better grades should I work harder?"

He responded, "Are you kidding? If you want better grades just ask me and if I like the way in which you ask me, I'll give them to you. The grades you get are not your teachers' decisions; it's mine."

I then inquired, "Do other students know of you and your job?"

His reply was, "You are the first student to know of my responsibilities. I told you because the school administration was tricking students into working by the grade initiative. I decided to fight their trickery and so I told you. Since I control the grades, anyone who wants a better grade can get it for a price."

Upon hearing this, I ran to the lunch line to get the man some food. After I gave him the food, I realized that I had bought him the special, which consisted of a cardboard pizza, greasy french fries, and watery milk. He started to get it but after the first bite he got sick. It was then I realized my grades were going to drop.

Solution to this issue's Minute Mystery: Sir Digby Druthers, who had always been a little bit eccentric, had ordered an extremely large block of ice from a nearby beverage store. None of the servants questioned his request to have the ice block placed in the drawing room, for they had all learned by now not to question Druthers, if they wanted to remain gainfully employed. Sir Digby simply stood on the block of ice, which melted beneath him.

Wesleyan, Dartmouth or Vassar give credit for 4's or 5's, and in special cases accept 3's. These tests are about three hours long, during which time all the creases in your brain are exercised to try and figure out answers to the questions. On both history exams, you must answer two questions, one of which the writers assign, with information provided. The other question is chosen by the student from five different and difficult choices, and on these you provide your own information. The AP tests are grueling, but any rating from 3 up is satisfying.

These ten steps provide an easy guide for college admission. Follow the steps, and it is guaranteed that the college may consider looking at you. Good Luck!

Girl's Field Hockey Finishes Second In State Tournament

by David Hertz

The Girls' Field Hockey Team, coached by Miss Betley and Miss Leuty, ended their spectacular season at the State Tournament held on November 17-18 in Dayton. The girls, led by co-captains Judy Malone and Mimi Farmer, achieved an impressive second place in the tournament. The team was seeded first in the state throughout the tournament and was deprived of the honor of sweeping the contest by Fairmont West. Fairmont West defeated our gallant girls 1-0 in a hard fought game which was as close as the score indicates. To end up second in the entire state is a high achievement and the girls were proud of their showing.

During the beginning of the field hockey season, neither the team nor Miss Betley was even entertaining thoughts of state-wide recognition. This reporter interviewed Miss Betley earlier this year when the coach regarded the season as being one of rebuilding. Miss Betley was not thinking about placing in the State Tournament but of procuring a winning season. Miss Betley was concerned about the inexperience of the team, approximately one-third of the varsity squad was sophomores; however, she did believe that next year's season, 1979-1980, would be an excellent one. At present the whole team is thinking of this season only.

During the season some individual performances stood out from the rest of the perfectly polished team. Forwards Miriam Pickus and Lelia True sparkled as they both broke a previous record of total goals scored in a season. The record before this year had been eleven, but after the State Tournament junior Miriam Pickus had amassed an incredible 23 goals with sophomore Lelia True accumulating a fantastic 15 goals. The total number of goals scored by the entire team in the regular was 53 and the total

number of goals scored against the team was a measly 11, which points out the tremendous defense which the team possessed. As it can be clearly seen, the girl's field hockey team enjoyed a productive offense and a staunch defense throughout last season.

Before the team competed in the State Tournament they played in the Hudson Tournament. This tournament decided which team was to be the Northeast Ohio Champions. Guess who won. That's right! Yours truly, Shaker. The Shaker team defeated arch-rival Western Reserve Academy 2-1 in overtime play. Overjoyed with their win, the team went to the State Tournament.

This year was the first time an Ohio State Tournament took place in field hockey. The site chosen for the first tournament was Fairmont East High School in Dayton. The first Shaker state qualifying girls' field hockey team consisted of Miriam Pickus, Leslie Henshaw, Lelia True, Kathy Jirus, Liffie Sopher, Janet Williams, Rebecca Wells, Karen Cross, Mimi Farmer (co-captain), Monica Davis, Judy Malone (co-captain), Holly Kempe, Lisa Elsoffer, Heather Cairns, Marge Williams, Linda Michelson, and Terri Diamond. In the State Tournament Shaker defeated Lebanon 3-0, Oakwood 1-0, & Bexley 1-0. In their last game of the tournament, Shaker lost to Fairmont West 1-0. In the game against Lebanon Miriam Pickus scored two goals and Lelia True scored one. When the team went against Oakwood, Lelia True scored the only goal as did Kathy Jirus against Bexley.

The Field Hockey Team did a great job this year and should keep on doing so for some time. But no matter how well next year's team does, Shaker will remember the 1978-79 state runners-up Girl's Field Hockey Team.

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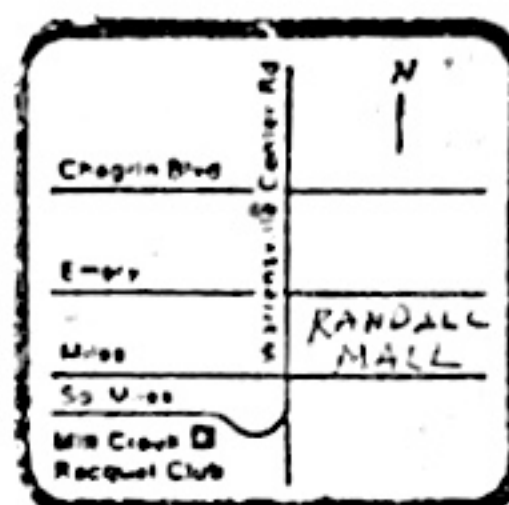
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Football Finishes At 7-3

By Marc Dann

The Shaker Football Red Raiders capped off a good 7-3 season with a 20-8 victory over Parma. The Gridders ended up with a 5-2 league record which qualified them for a third-place tie with Valley Forge in the New Lake Erie League. The victory came on the heels of a heart-breaking 28-26 loss to Normandy the previous Saturday. A victory over Normandy would have put the Raiders alone in second place.

The football team was sparked this year by the explosive running of senior halfback David English who collected a total of 1206 yards. On the ground, English passed the 1000-yard mark before the halftime of the victory over Parma.

English finished the season with 1083 rushing yards and a place on the All-Lake Erie League team. His nomination to the North South High School all-star team is presently being considered. The trophy for best back of the season was awarded to English who will be missed after his graduation.

The other All-Lake Erie League team member of the Raiders' squad is 6-4, 225-pound, junior Orlando Lowry. Lowry was awesome throughout his second year as both as offensive and defensive starter. Lowry sets at tackle on offense and at defensive end. He lead the team with a total of 17 sacks during the 1978 campaign.

The biggest game of the season by far was the 7-0 loss to Berea which kept the Raiders out of contention for the league honors. The Braves went on to be undefeated in league play and were the winners of a berth in the state playoff through the computer ratings. Berea won the regional playoff and will face Cincinnati Princeton for the State Championship.

Standouts for Shaker in the backfield this season included Terry Thomas, a junior who rushed for over 400 yards, and Kevin Williams, who was awarded the most improved player trophy. In the defensive backfield junior Ken Fritz was superlative in his pass coverage and tackling and seniors Marc Bickerstaff, Jimmy Alexander, and Steve Brown added to the vast improvement of the defensive backfield over the season.

On the line, ends Wynn Hines and Keith Stiggers, both seniors, were extremely effective in the passing game, collecting 12 and nine passes respectively. Junior Center Blake Martin along with guards junior Danny White and senior Phill Delaine and tackles Lowry and senior Mat Ennis were among the most effective offensive line in the league despite their lack of size. Middle Guard Gary Jackson, a senior, led the team in tackles throughout the year. He was flanked by Delaine and Tomeillo at the tackles and Lowry and senior Dave Sanders on the ends. Sanders came into his own as the season progressed, highlighted by his 7 tackles and 2 sacks against Parma. Kendall Ivy, a junior also contributed at the defensive end position.

The brother team of Keith and Kevin Williams at the outside linebacking spot proved to be an effective combination for coach Al Raymond. The Middle linebacking responsibilities were shared by senior Keith Abood and Junior Joe Bordonaro.

The kicking this year was another important element of the Raiders' success. Junior Mike Berg handled all of the Raiders' punting and place-kicking chores. He averaged over 35 yards per punt, which was an important asset to the defensively minded Red Raider team.

Raider Hockey Begins With Romps Over CLEVELAND HEIGHTS and PARMA

By Doug Krejca

The hockey team opened its season successfully, outscoring its opponents 18-2 in just two games. The first victory was a commanding margin over of 11-1 over LEL foe Parma. Shaker slowly built a 5-1 lead at the end of the second period and then exploded for six goals in the last seven minutes of the third period. This is not unlike last year's team. Shaker tends to come out and take physical charge of the game and score enough goals to take the lead. Then once the opposition is tired out, the Raiders pour it on. Senior captain Keith Abood scored five goals in this effort while Paul Drollinger added two.

The second game against arch-rival Cleveland Heights promised, as it always does, to be a close one. But the Tigers were like pussycats against our omnipotent Raiders. Once again, Shaker built up a slow lead and then erupted for three goals in the final period, on their way to a

7-1 victory. The scoring was balanced as six players scored for Shaker.

This should be the year of the Red Raider in high school hockey. Shaker returns 13 lettermen, 11 of whom are seniors. The offense is extremely strong, with all players capable of scoring in the clutch. League-leading scorer Keith Abood returns along with Paul Drollinger who was third leading scorer two years ago as a sophomore before being declared ineligible last year. Paul should regain his scoring status this year.

The defense is suspect and could fold under pressure. Although it did play well against its two opponents so far, there are tougher teams and if the state championship is more than a dream, the defense will have to tighten up. There are bright spots in the defense, though, and Jon Siegal is one of them. Jon is a senior and hasn't played for Shaker previously because he attended boarding school as a

sophomore and junior. The return of John Christman at goalie is also a big boost for the defense. He and Scott Hicks will most likely split time in that position. But the fact remains that if Shaker wants to contend for the state championship held in May, its offense will have to be able to make up for its inferior defense.

Some things to look for this year are rule changes, two in particular. First, in attempting a shot at the goal, a player may not lift his stick more than four feet off the ice. This is an attempt to phase out the slap shot and make high school hockey more of a finesse game. Second, the red line has been eliminated this year so that there are no more two-line passes. This rule provides for more breakaways and makes the game more exciting. Also for trivia buffs, one might notice the new uniforms which replace eight years of Shaker tradition.

Girls' Volleyball Finishes Season With District Title

By Patti Colley

After the regional tournament last Saturday, the volleyball season of '78 was over. The girls, however, were not disappointed because they ended the season with an overall 16-4 record. The girls also took the sectional tournament, after defeating the Beaumont, Glenville and Kennedy teams, and went on to become "District Champs" over Villa Angela and Euclid.

The volleyball team could not have gotten this far without the returning talent of seniors, Heidi Zetzer, Paula Hooper, Patti Colley and third year varsity player and the '78 captain, Ava Senkfor. The team also had the consistent hard-hitting serves and spikes of juniors, Hilary Beard and Ellen McWilliams, both in their second year of varsity play. Two of our

players, Hilary and Heidi, were chosen to be a part of the "Sun Press All-Star Team" and Hilary was also recognized as an "L.E.L. All League Player". The girls, however, were extremely fortunate to gain three new excellent players, sophomores, Chris Hill, Kathy Swartzbaugh and Sue Tipton. Without these three, the volleyball team would not have done as well as they did.

The volleyball season this year was, without a doubt, a long and exciting one, and it was due to the expertise coaching received by the girls. The "Baby Ducks" were not the only ones to appreciate the skill and concern of their coach, which made the season enjoyable and rewarding, but she was voted the "L.E.L. Coach of the Year" by all the league

coaches. She not only taught her players how to work as a team, but also, how to accept both victory and defeat gracefully. And the greatest lesson of all that she left these girls, was the idea that the score on the board was not the most important aspect of the game, but the knowledge and maturity gained by the individual through the experience of being out on the court. The Shaker Girls' Volleyball Team would like to give all their love and thanks to the greatest coach around, Miss Lucille Burkett.

To Miss Burkett, the returning members and the future members of Shaker's volleyball team-GOOD LUCK and we'll see you in the '79 state tournament!